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Contractor License Revocations

RICHMOND – The Virginia Board for Contractors issued 16 license revocations at its most recent meeting Tuesday, March 27. Following is a summary of the Board's actions.

Copies of the file orders are available online at www.dpor.virginia.gov under "License Lookup." Fines are deposited directly into the state Literary Fund, which is used solely for public education purposes such as school construction, renovation, and teacher retirement funding.

BRUHN & COMPANY LLC RICHMOND, VA

File Number 2006-02707

COMPLAINANT – Sarah and Ryan Parker (Richmond, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Bruhn failed to disclose a felony conviction and past judgments in obtaining its license; failed to complete work for which it contracted; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; failed to notify the Board of an address change; and failed to satisfy five court judgments.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705090282 and \$15,700 in monetary penalties.

KENNETH W. MYERS trading as MYERS MASONRY RICHMOND, VA

File Number 2006-05421

COMPLAINANT – Christopher David McGinnis (Chesterfield, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Myers failed to use a written contract prior to beginning work or accepting payments; practiced outside his class of license; and engaged in misconduct in the practice of contracting.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705064803 and \$1,500 in monetary penalties.

MASTER DISTRIBUTORS INC. trading as UNITED REMODELERS RICHMOND, VA

File Number 2006-03775

COMPLAINANT – Charles Stoveken (Warrenton, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Master failed to satisfy a court judgment and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705025435 and \$2,500 in monetary penalties.

File Number 2006-05322

VIOLATIONS – Master failed to maintain a Designated Employee and Qualified Individual, and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705025435 and \$2,000 in monetary penalties.

VIRGINIA REMODELING SUNROOMS INCORPORATED RICHMOND, VA

File Number 2007-01351

COMPLAINANT – Karl Stafflinger (Chester, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Virginia Remodeling shares substantial identity of interest with a contractor whose license is revoked.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705087427.

ASHLEY REAGAN WALKER trading as A & R TREE AND HANDYMAN SERVICE HOPEWELL, VA

File Number 2006-05074

COMPLAINANT – Lisa Dykes (Richmond, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Walker failed to execute a contract with all required provisions and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION - Revocation of License No. 2705100085.

File Number 2006-05113

COMPLAINANT – Felecia Jones (Richmond, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Walker failed to execute a contract with all required provisions; engaged in misrepresentation; failed to complete work for which he contracted; and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION - Revocation of License No. 2705100085.

JAMESTOWN CABINETRY INC. WILLIAMSBURG, VA

File Number 2007-00513

COMPLAINANT – Robb DeLaGarza (Williamsburg, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Jamestown Cabinetry abandoned the project; failed to complete work for which it contracted; failed to obtain written change orders; engaged in misconduct in the practice of contracting; and failed to execute a contract with all required provisions.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705088816.

A & W METAL WORKS INC.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA

File Number 2006-04901

VIOLATIONS – A & W failed to report a change of Qualified Individual and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705101693 and \$1,800 in monetary penalties.

ASBY CONTRACTING LLC. PRINCE GEORGE, VA

File Number 2006-03929

COMPLAINANT – Alice and David Williams (Disputanta, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Asby failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; practiced outside its license specialty; failed to obtain written change orders; failed to complete work for which it contracted; and failed to satisfy a court judgment.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705095726 and \$4,100 in monetary penalties.

GEORGE M. LIPSCOMB, JR. trading as TYE RIVER MASONRY ARRINGTON, VA

File Number 2006-04321

COMPLAINANT - Cathy Larson (Amherst, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Lipscomb was convicted of a misdemeanor; failed to include all required provisions in the written contracts; practiced outside his class of license; abandoned the project; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; failed to notify the Board of an address change; and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705067676 and \$5,700 in monetary penalties.

ROBERT P. CIARLANTE AND ROBERT C. PENNYPACKER III trading as COMMONWEALTH CONSTRUCTION GORDONSVILLE, VA

File Number 2006-01289

COMPLAINANT – Nancy and Steve Harding (Jeffersonton, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Commonwealth failed to execute a contract with all required provisions; practiced outside its class of license; abandoned the project; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; and failed to satisfy a court judgment.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705084903 and \$8,560 in monetary penalties.

DWAYNE E. WHITE trading as DWAYNE WHITE CONSTRUCTION MIDLAND, VA

File Number 2006-03113

COMPLAINANT – Steven Spitz (Warrenton, VA)

VIOLATIONS – White failed to operate in the name in which his license was issued; failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; failed to complete work for which he contracted; abandoned the project; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; failed to respond to an investigator; and failed to satisfy a court judgment.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705083769 and \$9,690 in monetary penalties.

File Number 2006-03184

COMPLAINANT – Kelly Gates (Warrenton, VA)

VIOLATIONS – White failed to maintain contract records in accordance with regulations; assisted another in violating the Board's statute; practiced outside his license specialty; and failed to obtain required building permits.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705083769 and \$2,250 in monetary penalties.

CHRISTOPHER L. SODEN trading as UNLIMITED HORIZONS BENTONVILLE, VA

File Number 2007-00231

COMPLAINANT – Nikishia Lluvera-Holman (Manassas, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Soden failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; failed to obtain required building permits; demonstrated incompetence in the practice of contracting; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; and failed to notify the Board of an address change.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705098551 and \$5,100 in monetary penalties.

STEPHEN MICHAEL MOTTERN trading as FIRST PLACE HOME IMPROVEMENTS WOODBRIDGE, VA

File Number 2006-01679

COMPLAINANT – Andrew Jagusiak and Anna Mary Portz (Alexandria, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Mottern failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; practiced outside his class of license; failed to obtain required building permits; abandoned the project; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705074205 and \$8,000 in monetary penalties.

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About DPOR and the Board for Contractors:

The Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR) regulates nearly 40 commercial occupations and certain professions. The Board for Contractors licenses more than 100,000 Virginia businesses and individuals. The Board is composed of a Class A general contractor; a sub-contractor; contractors specializing in utilities, commercial and industrial buildings, single-family residences, and home improvements; a building supplier; a local building official; licensed tradesmen in plumbing, electrical, and heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC); and two citizen members.

The Board administers the Virginia Contractor Transaction Recovery Fund, which provides monetary relief to eligible consumers who incur losses through the improper and dishonest conduct of a licensed contractor. For more information, visit DPOR online at www.dpor.virginia.gov.